

The Honorable Michael K. Powell  
Chairman  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Chairman Powell:

I am writing to urge you to support the pending merger of EchoStar and HUGHES, the parent company of DIRECTV. I believe the merger will increase video and broadband choices for consumers like me.

The combined company will be a much stronger competitor to cable operators by offering local TV channels via satellite in every market in the United States. In addition, the merger will ensure that affordable high-speed Internet access service via satellite is available to Americans nationwide.

My company operates 25 hotels in eight western states and employees over 1500 people. There is a huge disparity in the cost of cable between those markets where satellite offers all local TV channels and those where it is not available. This negatively affects our businesses and our employees in those markets

I appreciate your consideration of my views.

Sincerely,

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